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**THE HISTORY OF VIRGINIA GOVERNMENT**

Write the letter of the most correct answer in the blank to the left of each question or statement.

**\_\_\_\_\_1. Prior to the settlement of Colonial Virginia by Englishmen, the geographic region was ruled over by –**

A. Spanish Conquistadors

B. Jesuit Priests from France

C. The Iroquois Confederation

D. The Powhatan Confederation

**\_\_\_\_\_2. Who established the first permanent English colony in Virginia?**

A. The Virginia Company of London

B. The East India Company

C. Roanoke Island

D. The Dutch Indies Company

**\_\_\_\_\_3. Which crop insured the economic survival of the colony of Virginia in the early 17th Century?**

A. Rice

B. Indigo

C. Tobacco

D. Cotton

**\_\_\_\_\_4. What was the first representative assembly created in the English colonies?**

A. The General Assembly

B. The House of Delegates

C. The House of Burgesses

D. The Congress

**Conditions in Virginia, circa 1676**

* Elections for the House of Burgesses had not taken place for over 14 years, and the people were not well represented.
* Virginians on the frontier were not protected from Native American attacks, and the governor refused to violate the terms of a peace treaty with the Powhatans.

**\_\_\_\_\_5. What rebellion took place as a result of the situation described above?**

A. The Whiskey Rebellion

B. The Fries Rebellion

C. Shays’ Rebellion

D. Bacon’s Rebellion

**\_\_\_\_\_6. Which of the Virginians listed below won his reputation as a military commander in the French and Indian War of the 1750s?**

A. George Washington

B. Thomas Jefferson

C. James Madison

D. George Mason

**\_\_\_\_7. Which Virginian was accused for treason for his outspoken condemnation of the Stamp Act during a meeting of the House of Burgesses in 1765?**

A. Thomas Jefferson

B. Patrick Henry

C. George Washington

D. George Mason

**The Tombstone of a Prominent Virginian from the Early Republic:**

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* Author of the Declaration of Independence
* Author of the Virginia Statute of Religious Freedom
* Founder of the University of Virginia

**\_\_\_\_\_8. Which of the Founding Fathers listed below is described by all of the statements in the textbox above?**

A. Thomas Jefferson

B. George Washington

C. George Mason

D. James Madison

**\_\_\_\_\_9. Which of the Founding Fathers listed below was a slaveholder?**

A. George Washington

B. George Mason

C. Thomas Jefferson

D. All of these

**\_\_\_\_\_10. Who was the author of the Virginia Declaration of Rights?**

A. Thomas Jefferson

B. George Washington

C. James Madison

D. Patrick Henry

**\_\_\_\_\_11. The first European style government in present day Virginia was established by –**

A. The Royal Charter of 1624

B. The Mayflower Compact

C. The Charter of the Virginia Company of London, 1606

D. The House of Burgesses, 1619

**\_\_\_\_12. The dramatic change in Virginia’s Charter in 1624 resulted in a less democratic society because Virginia became a –**

A. constitutional monarchy

B. democratic republic

C. commonwealth

D. royal colony

**\_\_\_\_\_13. What law did the members of Virginia’s first Constitutional Convention pass during their first meeting in June of 1776?**

A. The Act of Toleration

B. The Stamp Act

C. The Declaration of Independence

D. The Virginia Declaration of Rights

**\_\_\_\_\_14. A republic in which all of the people join together in pursuit of the common good, where all of the just powers of the government are granted by the consent of the people, is known as a –**

A. protectorate

B. confederacy

C. commonwealth

D. sovereignty

**\_\_\_\_\_15. What was the name of the Virginia State Legislature which was created by Virginia’s First Constitution?**

A. The Congress

B. The General Assembly

C. The House of Burgesses

D. The Duma

**\_\_\_\_\_16. Which amendment to the Constitution borrowed from the ideas in the Virginia Statute of Religious Freedom?**

A. The First Amendment

B. The Second Amendment

C. The Seventh Amendment

D. The Eighth Amendment

**CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION OF VIRGINIA IN 1851:**

* All white men were now eligible to vote in elections in the commonwealth.
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**\_\_\_\_\_17. What was the other major change to Virginia’s Constitution in 1851?**

A. Women with property were allowed to vote.

B. Free African-Americans who held property could vote.

C. The Governor would be elected directly by the people.

D. Virginia’s senators would be elected directly by the people to Congress.

**\_\_\_\_\_18. Virginia’s Constitution of 1902 restricted democracy by requiring that all schools in Virginia remain segregated and by requiring –**

A. a poll tax in order to vote.

B. women to own property to vote.

C. literacy tests.

D. civil service examinations for all voters.

**\_\_\_\_19. Which amendment to the Constitution, ratified in Virginia in 1870, gave African-American men the right to vote?**

A. 13th Amendment

B. 14th Amendment

C. 15th Amendment

D. 17th Amendment

**\_\_\_\_\_20. The changes to the Constitution of Virginia in 1971 were all in an effort to prevent –**

A. voter fraud

B. discrimination

C. communism

D. integration of public schools

**BONUS QUESTION**: Identify all three of the candidate who are running for Governor in the 2013 Election by their party affiliation:

**Republican Candidate:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Democratic Candidate:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Libertarian Candidate:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_